THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) to (c) Urea is imported as and when there is a gap between the requirement and the indigenous production. A statement showing the assessed requirement, actual sales during the period, indigenous production and imports from the period 2001-02 to 2006-07 is given below:

(LMT)

Year	Assessed Requirement	Actual Sales	Indigenous Production	Import
2001-02	213.05	197.45	191.73	2.10
2002-03	213.67	186.44	187.27	0.00
2003-04	211.58	195.79	192.03	0.00
2004-05	214.07	205.47	202.68	6.41
2005-06	234.25	221.91	200.97	20.57
2006-07	249.46	244.85	203.07	47.18

(d) During the year 2005-06 and 2006-07, the import of urea have been about 20.57 LMT and 47.18 LMT respectively. For Kharif 2007, the requirement of urea has been assessed at 131.68 LMT. In order to bridge the gap between the indigenous production and the assessed requirement, approximately 31.82 LMT or urea including that from Oman India Fertilizer Company (OMIFCO) is likely to be imported during Kharif 2007.

National Pharmaceutical Policy, 2006

4014. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Pharmaceutical Policy, 2006 has been finalized by Government, and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to (a), as above.